GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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Problem of Malnutrition
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether there is a rise in the number of men and women having low Body Mass Index (BMI) in the country if so, the details thereof;

(b) the names of foodgrains being made available to the poor under the national food scheme;

(c) whether the Government propose to formulate any scheme to make available pulses, oil and protein rich foodgrains to the poor for nutrition in order to eradicate malnutrition from the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)
(a) : No.
(b) to (d): Under the National Food Security Act (NFSA), coarse grains, wheat and rice are distributed through the Targeted Public Distribution System. Pulses and edible oils are not included under NFSA. However, some States are distributing additional items including pulses and edible oils through PDS out of their own resources.
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